AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph bridging between page 7, line 25 and page 8, line 9 as follows:

As can be seen in Fig. 3a, the water temperature sensor of direct contact type in accordance with the present invention also includes the temperature measuring part and the hollow chamber cap 13. The temperature measuring part includes the temperature detecting sensor 21 for measuring the temperature of water, the signal lines 22 for connecting the temperature detecting sensor 21 with the circuit requiring the measured value, and a cylindrical probe 31 containing the temperature detecting sensor and the signal lines. The hollow chamber cap, located on the bottom edge of the water gauge chamber, is drilled with a hole as a seating portion 13a 13b at the center thereof so that the cylindrical probe of the temperature measuring part can directly contact with the washing water after penetrating the hole.

